submitted a perspective plan envisaging utilisation of about 22 MMCMD of natural gas for various projects mainly in the Power Sector.

Bearing in mind the availability of gas in the Gujarat Region, commitments of about 8·20 MMCMD have already been made for various projects in the State. The commitments have been made taking into account additional availability from the Gandhar Phase-I Project and from Offshore fields. Additional commitments can be made dependig upon the availability of gas in future and its optimum use pattern.

Shifting of Tapti off-shore Gas land-fall point from Pipavay in Saurashtra

69. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have decided to shift the Tapti offshore gas land-fall point from Pipavay in Saurashtra; if so, what are the reasons therefor and whether the same is proposed to be linked with HBJ pipeline and if so, for what purpose;

(b) whether adequate gas has been committed to the proposed gas-based power station at Pipavay and if so, what is the total quantity of gas so committed; and

(c) whether Government of Gujarat has represented to the Ministry against the proposed shift of the land-fall point and if so, what is the reaction of Union Government thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) to (c) The location of the land-fall point would be decided when the Tapti offshore gas field project is fully approved by the Government.

Reconstitution of Telephone Advisory Committee of Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited, Bombay

70. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the term of the Telephone Advisory Committee of Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited, Bombay has expired;

(b) if so, by when the Nigam proposes to re-constitute this committee; and

(c) whether representation will be given on this committee to the cross sections of the subscribers representing various interest?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO) : (a) Yes, Sir. The present term of Bombay Telephone Advisory Committee has expired on 28-2-1989.

(b) Action to reconstitute new Telephone Advisory Committee has already been initiated.

(c) Yes, Sir

Remote Line Unit in Eastern Suburbs of Bombay

71. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that at some places in the Eastern Suburbs of Bombay the Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited, Bombay proposes to install R.L.U. (Remote Line Unit) to give new telephone lines to long wait-listed telephone applicants; and

(b) if so, what are the details of all such places and capacity and area to be covered by the Remote Line Unit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and wil] be laid on the Table of the House.

Plan 103 instruments for use of Bombay subscribers

72. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that for Plan 103 instrument, there is a long waiting list in Bombay city;

(b) if so, what are the reasons that the Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited, Bombay has not been able to provide the Plan 103 to the subscribers;

(c) whether it is also a fact that each extension of Plan 103, the Nigam charges Rs. 500/- per annum as rent;

(d) whether it is also a fact that many private parties are in a position to supply Plan 103;

(e) if so, why does the Nigam not purchase these Plan 103 instruments and supply them to the subscribers as done for Push Button Instruments; and

(f) whether the Nigam will allow the subscribers to purchase these instruments from any source and not charge them any rent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) to (f) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Efforts for prompt supply of LPG to consumers in Bombay city

73. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) how many consumers are listed with the each of the LPG dealers of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited and Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited in Bombay City;

(b) what is the list of such dealers and the total consumers allotted to each dealer;

(c) which are the places where Government propose to appoint new LPG dealers; and

(d) what are the steps Government propose to take to see that the consumers get prompt and same day delivery of their LPG refills in Bombay City?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) and (b) The information is given in Statement—I (*See* below).

(c) in addition to the existing facilities, the two oil companies have proposed to set up under their Annual LPG Marketing plans upto 1988-89, 18 new LPG distributorships in Bombay city. The particulars are given in Statement—II (*See* below).

(d) Efforts are being made to maximise indigenous LPG production and also augment supplies through imports to the extent feasible in order to meet the demand of LPG in the country, including Bombay.